

GCSAA TOUR TOURNAMENT BOUND FOR GUADALAJARA

Five days of Mexican sunshine await participants in the Golf Course Superintendents Association of America's annual postconference tour and tournament excursion to Guadalajara, Mexico Feb. 22-27, 1980.

The tour and tournament group, which will leave St. Louis for Guadalajara immediately after the close of GCSAA's 51st International Turfgrass Conference and Show Friday, Feb. 22, will tour the area around Guadalajara, and approximately 200 are expected to participate in the tournament, Conrad L. Scheetz, CAE, GCSAA executive director announced.

The golf tournament, traditionally scheduled before the turfgrass conference and show, has been combined with the annual postconference tour this year to allow more people to participate in both activities, Scheetz said.

Tour and tournament headquarters in Guadalajara will be the Guadalajara Sheraton, and more rooms for participants have been reserved in the Hotel Aranzazu. The Sheraton also will serve as a starting point for optional tours of the city and surrounding area scheduled for Saturday through Tuesday.

Scheduled tours include a tour of the city and the main colonial buildings and a visit to the village of San Pedro Tlaquepaque; a tour of Guadalajara, the village of Zapopan and the Institute of Arts and Crafts of the State of Jalisco; a visit to the villages of Chapala, Ajijic, Chulavista, San Juan Cosala and Jocotepec, as well as the largest lake in Mexico, and a night tour of Guadalajara, including a Mexican fiesta, mariachis, dining and dancing.

The tournament will be a 36-hole shotgun start competition open to GCSAA members, their club officials and guests and exhibitors in the St. Louis turfgrass show. The men's tournament will be played at the Club de Golf, Santa Anita Country Club and at San Isidro Country Club. The ladies' tournament will be played at Guadalajara Country Club.

A victory banquet for tournament players and those tour participants who wish to join them is scheduled for Tuesday evening, Feb. 26.

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